

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment be made to the above-identified United States patent application. The requested changes are indicated above.

Please note that Application originally included 17 claims, 8 of which were independent, 9 were dependent and none were multi-dependent. However, claim 4 did not specify which claim it was dependent upon, and now claims dependency from claim 1. With the Preliminary Amendment, the Application is amended to include the original independent claims (1, 6, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16 and 17), and dependent claims (2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, and 13) and **no** multi-dependent claims.

The fees are calculated on the basis of the amended set of claims and a check for \$1240.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee. Any additional fees may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

The proposed amendments are made to put the claims in a form corresponding more closely to the specification. Applicants respectfully submit that the requested amendments do not add any new matter into the present application.

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